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From: Myers, Craig
Sent: Tue 9/22/2015 6:53:51 PM
Subject: Satellite service and the pending Govt shutdown

Just so everyone knows, the PSU deployed to the Gold King incident in Silverton is performing life safety communications. I'm told the work at the mine site will be considered essential work and will continue regardless. If that is true, service to that PSU cannot be interrupted without endangering EPA and contractor personnel's lives.

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From: Heare, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 12:41 PM
To: Gulch, Jon; Deskiewicz, Christie
Cc: Bartos, Myles; Mosher, Eric; Myers, Craig; Bartos, Myles; Paisley, Eric; Negron, Jose
Subject: RE: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

In the event of a Government Shutdown, the Contracting Officer will notify the contractor of the Agency's determination (either a stop work notice or notice to continue work) based on the Senior Leadership's decision as to which contracts are considered "excepted". Each AAShip is suppose to submit to OAM a list of those contract which need to remain active in order to support excepted services. As I understand it, Miri is on OSWER's list although I haven't seen it yet.

If Miri is indeed on the active list, they will be able to continue working.

If Miri is issued a stop work order, it would be done on Oct 1, so the staff person would need to travel home as soon as permitted after the stop work order is issued.

I understand that would cause a substantial increase in costs related to the travel associated with the upgrades, however, there's nothing I can do about it. People at much higher levels than me make the call as to which contract will remain active. If Miri is not on the list, then I can not, nor can my CO, violate the Antideficiency Act. We won't wear an orange jumpsuit for anyone!

If the above does happen, then yes, you'll have to come up with additional funds to cover the increase.

And speaking of money, there are 2 things. First, some funds people have decommitted the remaining funds on the PRs that were submitted for funding the upgrades/travel. The modification obligating the remaining funds was submitted to RTP a couple weeks ago but has not been processed by them. Christie is checking into this issue. Meanwhile, if funds were decommitted, you or your specific contacts need to have the funds replaced ASAP. These funds should have been 15/16, therefore, they are carried over and the rush to decommit was premature. If one line of accounting doesn't go thru because of this, then the whole mod will be rejected. I do not have the staff to redo work we've already completed.

Secondly, we need additional funding to cover the travel costs based on Miri's proposal; Christie has a spreadsheet which shows how much from each PR was used to cover the cost of the upgrades and the remaining funds were used for travel. However, we need an additional \$7,019.34 to cover the balance of the travel costs. According to Miri's proposal, region 6 repair/travel costs \$13,507, but, they only had \$4,415 remaining on their PR. However, you all can talk amongst your selves to figure who needs to provide how much. I have attached her spreadsheet for your viewing pleasure. If you have questions, contact Christie or myself.

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From: Gulch, Jon

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 1:11 PM

To: Deskiewicz, Christie

Cc: Bartos, Myles; Heare, Mark; Mosher, Eric; Myers, Craig; Bartos, Myles; Paisley, Eric; Negron, Jose

Subject: RE: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

What guidance should I give the Contractor in the event that there is a Government Shutdown? He is scheduled to be in Los Angeles, CA on September 30 (traveling to Dallas on October 5). Would he need to stop work and travel on September 30 or can he travel on October 1? Also, this will be a substantial cost increase and there will still need to be significant work done to complete the upgrade...so will we need to get additional funds added to the contract?

From: Deskiewicz, Christie

Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2015 8:28 AM

To: Gulch, Jon

Cc: Bartos, Myles; Heare, Mark

Subject: RE: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

All,

I finally got around to processing this modification for you. I started the process last night and unfortunately the system was being extremely slow. I was working on it again this morning and once again the system is stalling. Unfortunately I have a 3 hour training that I have to deliver at 9:30 at the OSRTI program office. I will be sure to work on this again this afternoon and finish it up.

Best,

Christie M. Deskiewicz

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From: Gulch, Jon
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 5:52 PM
To: Deskiewicz, Christie
Cc: Bartos, Myles; Heare, Mark
Subject: Re: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

Rob Neal (Miri) and I have, for the past 10 years, come up with a basic plan and then got the job done. At this point, we don't even know where the Regions want the work done (i.e. Will Los Angeles drive their equipment to Las Vegas, will the R9 PSU in NV be shipped or driven to San Francisco or Los Angeles, is R10 shipping their Alaska PSU to Seattle)...there are many moving parts. I think the email below details, as much as they can, what needs to be done. Again, after working with them for 10 years we are very comfortable with the fact that they always operate on the principle of saving the government money.

Sent from my iPhone...so please excuse typos!

On Aug 27, 2015, at 5:07 PM, Deskiewicz, Christie <deskiewicz.christie@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Jon and Myles,

Please review the cost portion to get a general gist of the proposed amount. Before approving this, I will need additional information from Miri as his revised submission provided me no more information than before. Mark or I can explain more later. I'm not exactly asking for prices of the airline tickets or for ticket vouchers but based on his e-mail, coordination with the regions can likely take place prior to proposing a price, as could a simple layout of what he has in mind for the itinerary. After all, somehow he was able to derive a price. If he was able to do that, he arguably had something set up in his mind of what was to take place and in what order (just like what you had provided me before).

Best,

Christie M. Deskiewicz

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From: Tony Miri [<mailto:amiri@mirimicro.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 5:05 PM
To: Deskiewicz, Christie
Cc: Heare, Mark; robneal@hughes.net
Subject: RE: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

Christie,

This undertaking we are attempting to plan is very dynamic with many variables. The spreadsheet I submitted breaks down the prices by each component of travel, ie plane fare, lodging, car rental etc. It is difficult at this time to give you the specifics for which you are asking because we have not actually booked any flights. Another factor is coordination which must be done with each region to know exactly where in the region their unit/s are located and to know if they can be brought to a central area for our service. Some regions have more units than others and may require more days for our work to be done than some

other regions. We suggested that the Alaska unit be shipped to Seattle, but have found that a hop to Alaska from Seattle may actually be more cost effective to include it in the plan. We are aware of the lack of maintenance these units have had. Our plan is to do general maintenance on these systems and spend a reasonable amount of time to do basic repairs that don't require replacement parts from the manufacturer. If our plan is to strictly do modem upgrades and absolutely nothing else, we might be able to be more specific regarding the time we will spend at each site. However, this will then require trips back to several regions at greater cost to do repairs that may have been done on this trip. We have revised the cost proposal to make trips 1 & 2 back to back which are plane flights from region to region, each requiring car rental and lodging. We have checked current flight schedules and prices and estimated the costs of these first two trips. That is why we put in a "Not To Exceed" amount. Trip 3 is close enough to our facility that we can do it by motor. It will require two days to complete the work at region 5, Grosse Isle location.

We have also changed the trip start dates to "To Be Determined" as we no longer believe there will be enough time to make trip arrangements and coordinate with the regions to match our plan.

We have been the provider for this contract and its predecessor contracts since Hurricane Katrina ten years ago. We have always taken into consideration costs to the EPA for our time and travel expense. We do everything in our power and control to keep these costs to a minimum. We believe the priority is to get all these modem upgrades done and to verify system integrity and operation on as many units that we can as soon as possible. This proposal we have submitted is very aggressive as well as cost efficient to accomplish this goal.

Tony Miri

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From: Deskiewicz, Christie [mailto:deskiewicz.christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 4:44 PM
To: Tony Miri; Heare, Mark
Subject: RE: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

Hi Tony,

I understand you are quite busy given everything that is going on, but would you be able to provide us with slightly more detail in which regions/locations you plan to serve on each trip and in what order/by what form of travel?

Thank you!

Christie M. Deskiewicz

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From: Tony Miri [mailto:amiri@mirimicro.com]
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To: Deskiewicz, Christie; Heare, Mark
Subject: RE: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

Christie / Mark

Attached are our technical and cost proposals that you requested. Due to time constraints, they may not be as full bodied as they could be, but we believe we can get the job done in 2 back to back trips in approximately 1 month's time and at a reasonable price. Please review

our proposals and let us know if there is any other information you require.

Thank you,

Tony Miri

Miri Microsystems, LLC

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From: Deskiewicz, Christie [<mailto:deskiewicz.christie@epa.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2015 1:10 PM
To: Tony Miri; Heare, Mark
Subject: EP-W-08-074 Request for technical proposal and price quote

Please provide both a technical proposal and price quote for the following services, which are an expansion to the existing Statement of Work:

- 1) repair services for a Region 6 sensor and motor (the dish is stuck in an upright position), and
- 2) the travel plan for the modem upgrades requested in Modification 48 of the contract.

Below is a sample travel plan created by the EPA to carry out modem upgrades:

- Miri may fly to complete Region 6, ERT/RERT in Las Vegas, Region 9, and Region 10 in one trip.
- While coordinating that trip, EPA can have an equipment manager get the Region 5 PSUs to Grosse Ile, MI and ERT can drive their command post from Cincinnati to Grosse Ile.

- With this plan, we can finish ERT and Regions 5, 6, 9 and 10. This would also give us several PSUs with shipping crates should they be needed in Region 8 for the current response.
- The second trip would be to complete Regions 1, 2, 4 , RERT-AL, and 7. It is likely that Region 3 can replace their own.

Please provide a technical proposal and price quote for the requested services by Wednesday August 26, 2015.

Kind regards,

Christie M. Deskiewicz

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